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 - U.S. Patent No. 6,119,737 and EP 0 999 129 correspond to JP 11-70901; and U.S. Patent No. 6,308,109 corresponds to JP 2002-347931.
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Respectfully submitted,

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